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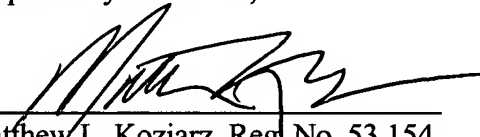
APPLICANTS: SAKURAI, Tsutomu, et al.  
PATENT NO.: US 6,920,276 B2  
DATED: July 19, 2005  
FOR: OPTICAL FIBER ASSEMBLY HAVING HERMETIC SEAL  
PORTION AND METHOD FOR MAKING THE SAME

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**NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE IN SMALL ENTITY STATUS**

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.27, Applicant hereby submits this Notification of loss of entitlement to small entity status. Small entity status was established in good faith but is no longer appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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**CERTIFICATE OF MAIL**

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